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SUBJ: VESCO SPEAKS TO LOCAL PRESS

1. ROBERT VESCO HAS TOLD LEADING DAILY LA NACION THAT HE INTENDS TO STAY IN COSTA RICA AND STILL HOPES TO BECOME A COSTA RICAN CITIZEN. IN A RELATED DEVELOPMENT, PRESIDENT ODUBER WAS REPORTED OVER WEEKEND IN LOCAL MEDIA TO HAVE SAID LAST WEEK IN MEXICO THAT VESCO HAD AGREED TO LEAVE COSTA RICA, BUT WAS PREVENTED FROM DOING SO BY LEGAL IMPEDIMENTS INSTIGATED BY OPPOSITION POLITICAL LEADERS. OPPOSITION DAILY LA REPUBLICA 17 JAN TOOK ISSUE WITH ODUBER'S REMARKS CALLING THEM AN HISTORICAL DISTORTION.

2. MOST OF WHAT VESCO TOLD LA NACION WAS OLD HAT. HOWEVER, VESCO CONFIRMED PRESS REPORT THAT HE HAS MOVED FROM HIS SPRAWLING HOME IN THE SAN JOSE SUBURB OF CURRIDABAT TO LIVE FULL-TIME ON HIS GUANACASTE RANCH NEAR PACIFIC COAST. VESCO INDICATED HE WOULD DEVOTE HIMSELF TO AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES "PRIMARILY EXPERIMENTAL FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL COSTA RICAN FARMERS". HE STATED THAT HE WOULD ALSO SPEND SOME TIME, HOWEVER, ATTENDING TO MATTERS PER-TAINING TO HIS LEGAL DEFENSE.

3. VESCO ALSO SAID THAT HIS PERSONAL FORTUNRE IS DWINDLING, HIS FAMILY'S INVESTMENTS HERE HAVE BEEN EXAGGERATED, HE IS STILL FRIENDS WITH JOSE FIGUERES, AND THAT HE IS BEING USED AS A POLITICAL
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4. COPIES OF INTERVIEWS BEING POUCHED TO ARA/CEN FOR SEC AND SOUTHERN DISTRICT.
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